

## CLAIMS

1/ A chest (1) for distributing food, the chest being provided with a vertical mast (4) on which supports (2) are fixed, the chest having lifting means for moving the mast in vertical translation, and being characterized in that at least some of said supports are movable in rotation about an axis which coincides with said mast.

2/ A chest according to claim 1, characterized in that it is suitable for maintaining a constant temperature.

3/ A chest according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that said mast (4) is adjacent to one of its vertical edges.

4/ A chest according to any preceding claim, characterized in that it includes a housing (5) for thermal blocks.

5/ A chest according to any preceding claim, characterized in that said lifting means are implemented on the basis of a spring.

6/ A chest according to any preceding claim, characterized in that it includes a lid which, in an open position, forms two horizontal shelves (6).

7/ A chest according to any preceding claim, characterized in that said supports (2) are adjustable forks whose two tines are provided with facing grooves.

8/ A chest according to any preceding claim, characterized in that a spacer (7) is placed between two supports (2) on said mast (4).

9/ A chest according to any preceding claim, characterized in that it is provided with a retractable

